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COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 17th & 18th March, 1849.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND.....£200,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Basse, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES AT:

LONDON, BOULOGNE, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSILLAS, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTING, SHANGHAI, FOCHOW, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

Messrs C. J. HAMBO & SON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Current and on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

F. COCHINARD,

Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.

" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,

Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND.....2,100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.

Deputy Chairmen—Wm. REYNOLDS, Esq.

H. HOPKINS, Esq.

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MANAGER.

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LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 " " "

" 12 " 5 " " "

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Deposits granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, March 24, 1882.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underwriters are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels, and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurance will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned have been appointed

SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their

Goods by Messrs KYNOCHE & Co., of

Glasgow, near Birkhill.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881.

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WE Have been appointed Agents for the

SALE of MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA,

of Tokio, at this Port.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

ON and after this Date the Underigned

Resumes his Duties as Secretary of the

Company.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHTRY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, March 20, 1882.

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Auctions.



PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have been instructed

by the COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF CHINA

SALES, China, to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 17th day of April, 1882, at 11 a.m.,

at Her Majesty's Ordinance Stores, Queen's

Road East,—

The following

UNSERVICEABLE GOVERNMENT

STORES—

BLANKETS, CANS, CORDAGE, RUBB,

SEBAC, CAST AND WROTH IRON, LEATHERS,

COTTON, LINEN AND WOOLLEN ARTICLES;

WATERPROOF SHIRTS, STEEL, TIMBER, TIN,

OLD FILLS, CASKS, PACKING CASES, EMPTY

CURRENT BARRELS, BUSHING, IRON DUNGS,

UMBRELLAS, FORTS, BED, MATT, GLASS,

HICKORY, BOAT AWNING, BOAT CUSHIONS,

CART IRON TIRE SIZE AND BOTTOM PIECES,

WHEELS, COAL DUST, IRON BLOOMS, LEAD

SHEET, SLATE SLABS, STOVES, PARTS OF

LATHES, LATHES, PLUNGE BATHS, VALVE

BAHS, AND MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.

Also,

The following ARTICLES OF CLOTH-

ING, viz.—GREAT COATS, CARS, CARS,

SEWING, AND TWOSE PROCKS, SEWING

AND CLOTH TUNICS, SEWING AND CLOTH TUNICS,

FLANNEL VESTS, BOOTS (ANKLE AND WEL-

LINGTON), HELMETS, CLOTH JACKETS,

&c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in

Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All

faults and errors of description at Pur-

chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

All Lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 10, 1882.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE.

GENUINE MADEIRA WINE, 1870,

OLD SUPERIOR PORT (BASTARDOS),

\$10 per Dozen.

Apply to

L. TREVENIN,

Hongkong Hotel Building.

Hongkong, March 21, 1882.

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FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s

CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts.....\$17 per 1 doz. Case.

Pints.....\$18 per 2 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

FOR SALE.

A. RAUTER MAINZ

DELICIOUS

TABLE BEER.

4 doz. & Case CHAMPAGNE BOTTLES.

\$10.....7 Case.

Apply to

SANDER & Co.

Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

FOR SALE.

MESSRS W. & J. LOCKETT'S Col-

orated BRANDS, THREFAIR'S Ex-

port PALE ALE, and FINEST'S Ex-

port DUBLIN STOUT in Pints and Quarts.

THIS OLD PORT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also,

SILLERY MOUSSEUX (Vie de

CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen. Pints and 1

dozen. Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

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Tenth Volume of the

"CHINA REVIEW"

Now Ready.

No. 4. VOL. X.

OF THE

"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

The A-Mi-ta Ching.

A Paper in the History of China.

The Delegates' Version and Mr. Giles,

Residence in the Interior and the Transit

Trade.

Notice of New Books and Literary Intel-

ligence.

Notes and Queries—

Slavery in China.

Rotation of Departmental Duty at

Peking.

Quarries, "Emblems" and the Lok U.

Limit of Responsibility for Effects of

Wounds according to Chinese Law.

Funerals and Burial.

British Chinese Oaths in Borneo and

Java.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, March 17, 1882.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BRANDAUER'S CELEBRATED CIRCULAR POINTED

PENS,—do not scratch the Paper, nor spurt the Ink.

CHUBB'S SAFES,—afford perfect protection against

Fire and Burglars.

PIANOS by BROADWOOD & COLLARD,

—are the favorite Instruments

in London.

DRAUGHT BEER by Bass.

BOTTLED BEER by FOSTER & SONS.

BORDEAUX WINES, bottled by ADOLPH SEWARD & Co.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Are Special Agents for the Sale of the above.

Hongkong, April 13, 1882.

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To Let.

TO LET.

OFFICES in No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD

CENTRAL

Nos. 4 and 9, SHYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1882.

TO LET.

(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1st MAY.)

THE NEW FAMILY RESIDENCE sit-

uated next to EXCELSIOR on Robinson

Road, replete with every convenience,

TENNIS LAWN, STABLING, &c.

Also,

8 FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS of all Sizes.

Water-ride. Inspection is invited.

Apply to

SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON.

Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

Intimations.

COMMODIOUS OFFICES and Com-

modious OFFICERS, &c., with, or

without GODOWNS, in Pedlar's Wharf

Buildings, at present in the occupation of

Messrs HESSE & Co. View of the Harbour.

Possession to be had from the 1st May

next.

Apply to

G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, April 5, 1882.

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of OLIVER CALVERT, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in ac-
cordance with the Provisions of Ordinance
No. 9 of 1870, Section 3, an Order has
been made by the Honorable GEORGE
PHILIPPO, Chief Justice of the said Court,
limiting the time for Creditors and others
to send in their CLAIMS against the above
Estate, to FRIDAY, the 12th day of May,
1882, on or before which date all Claims
must be proved, otherwise they will not be
included in the scheme of Division.

All Persons INDEBTED to the said
Estate are required to make immediate
Payment to

EDW. J. ACKROYD,

Official Administrator.

Hongkong, April 13, 1882.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,

IN LIQUIDATION.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1881.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above OFFICE

are requested to furnish the Under-

signed with a List of their Contributions

for the year ending 31st December, 1881,

in order that the DISTRIBUTION of the

PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORS may

be arranged. Returns not rendered prior

to APRIL 15th NEXT will be adjusted by

the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations

will be subsequently admitted.

E. F. ALFORD, } Liquidators.

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To-day's Advertisements.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.

WILL REMOVE ON 1st MAY
to their
NEW AND EXTENSIVE
PREMISES,
No. 53, Queen's Road East
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT).

WHERE they have special facilities for
conducting their Trade and Harbour
Business, and trust to merit a continuance
of Public Confidence and Support.

A FULL STOCK OF STORES,
WINES, &c.,
ALWAYS ON HAND, INCLUDING:

YORK HAMS.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
TAYSON'S DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.
SMYRNA FIGS.

PICNIC TONGUES.
COCOATINA.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
LIBBIS & EPP'S COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS.
FATE DE FOIE GRAS.
MINCENIAT.
CHOCOLATE-MENIER.
SAUSAGES.
BROWN.

ISIGNY BUTTER.
DANISH BUTTER.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
ANCHOVIES.
ASPARAGUS.
SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

CHAMPAGNES.

HEIDENRECK'S MONOPOLIO & WHITE
SEAL.
VEUVE CLUQUOT PONSARDIN.
JULES MUMM & Co., pils and quarts.

CLARETS.

CHATEAU MARCAUX.
CHATEAU LA ROSE, pils and quarts.
CHATEAU LAFITE, " " "
JES. GRAVES, " " "
BREAKFAST CLARET, " " "

SHERRIES & PORT.

SACCONI'S MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILADO.
SACCONI'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1848).
HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.

1, 2 & 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
BISQUIT DUBOIS & Co.'s BRANDY.
FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KIRKMAN'S LL WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.
CHATEAUBEAU.
MARASCHINO.
CURACAO.
ANGOSTURA.
BOTTLED AND ORANGE BITTERS.
&c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON & Co.

SAUNDERS, pils and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BURKE, pils and quarts.
PILSENER BEER, in quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

TOPOCAN BUTTER.

Eastern and California CHEESE.
BONEL'S CODFISH.
PRIME HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
PEACH and APPLE BUTTER.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
Family PIG-PORK in kegs and pieces.
Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.
Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.
" Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
" Pickled SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
" Stuffed PEPPERS.
" Assorted PICKLES.
" MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Pickled
MEATS.
Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.
Lunch TONGUE.
McCarthy's Sugar LEMONADE.
Clam CHOWDER.
Smoked SALMON.
Green TURTLE in 24 lb cans.
&c., &c., &c.

YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

CALIFORNIA

BACON

COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb

tins, and loose.
Alphabetical B.I.S.
CUTS.
Fancy Sweet Mixed
BISCUITS.
Ginger CAKES.
Soda BISCUITS.
Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 and 10 catty boxes.
BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

SHIPHANDLERY of every Description.

MACKINNON PEN.

LIVERMORE PEN.

LAWN TENNIS BATS.

LAWN TENNIS BALLS.

LAWN TENNIS SHOES.

Hongkong, April 15, 1882.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Steamship
"Emeralda,"
Captain TALBOT, will be
despatched for the above
Port on MONDAY, the 17th Inst., at 4 p.m.,
instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, April 15, 1882. ap17

FOR PORTLAND AND HONOLULU.

The British Steamer
"Bothwell Castle,"
will be despatched for the
above Ports on or about
the 19th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 15, 1882.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

Under the Patronage of H. E. the
ADMINISTRATOR and H. E. GENERAL
DONOVAN.

ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.

THE THIRD PERFORMANCE OF THE
SECOND SUBSCRIPTION SERIES
OF SIX OPERAS
Will be given

THIS EVENING,

the 15th April, when will be produced
PACINI'S GRAND OPERA

"SAFFO."

TO BE FOLLOWED BY
"LELISIR D'AMORE."

"POLIUTO."

"FAUST."

Prices of Admission:
Dress Circle, \$3; Stalls, \$2; Pit, \$1.
Tickets can be obtained of Messrs KELLY
& WALSH, and at the Doors on the Night
of the Performance.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m.; Performance to
commence at 9 p.m., sharp.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.

ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.

SIGNOR HOFLOCH
Bugs to inform the Public of Hongkong, that
THERE WILL BE
AN EXTRA PERFORMANCE,
ON

TUESDAY EVENING,

the 16th Instant,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF
SIGNOR GAETANO CIOCCI,
PRIMO BARTOLO ASSOLUTO.

On which occasion will be produced
VERDI'S CELEBRATED OPERA

"RIGOLETTO."

BETWEEN THE ACTS
SIGNOR CIOCCI
will sing

THE GRAND BASS ANIA FROM DONIZETTI'S
"DON SEBASTIANO."

The Subscription List is now open at
Messrs KELLY & WALSH's.
Hongkong, April 13, 1882. ap19

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or
PARAVES will be thankfully received at
the Sailor's Home, West Point.
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 15, *Emeralda*, British steamer,
385, R. Talbot, Manila April 13, General
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

April 15, *Churrua*, Spanish steamer, 395,
D. R. de Albaroa, Manila April 12, General
REMEDIOS & Co.

April 15, *Carnaronshire*, British steamer,
1631, Patrick, Saigon April 11, Rice—
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

April 15, *Lorne*, British steamer, 1100,
McKee, Singapore and Saigon April 11,
Rice—BOY HIR CHAN.

April 15, *K. B. Mallet*, Melbourne Feb. 11,
Bullat—ROZAKIO & Co.

April 15, *Christel*, German barque, 870,
Julius Brannings, Cardiff Nov. 7, Coal—
ORDEN.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 15, *Glenfruin*, for Saigon.

15, *Blackhall*, for Saigon.

15, *Julietta*, for Amoy and Manila.

15, *Glenavon*, for Shanghai.

15, *Zertha*, German frigate, for Sin-
apore, &c.

15, *Atchaf*, for Amoy.

15, *Japan*, for Singapore, Penang and
Calcutta.

15, *Lennor*, for Singapore, Penang
and Calcutta.

CLEARED.

Fokien, for Swatow, &c.

Emeralda, for Amoy and Manila.

H. Printenberg, for Quinhon.

Olympia, for Saigon.

Caribbrooke, for Amoy.

Perambuco, for Saigon.

Emvy, for Amoy and Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Emeralda*, from Manila, Mr Honey,
2 Cabin, and 60 Chinese.

Per *Churrua*, from Manila, Revs. Pedro
Ricard, Jose Cusio, and Jose Maria Provot,
Mr Guillermo Provot, and 1 Chinese.

Per *Carnaronshire*, from Saigon, 25 Chi-
nese.

Per *Lorne*, from Singapore and Saigon,
4 Chinese deck.

DEPARTED.

Per *Julietta*, for Amoy and Manila.

Mr W. Scheerer, Mr Will. Orage, Mr and Mrs
Vicente de las Cargues and Infant, Rev.
Suan Old.

Per *Japan*, for Singapore, &c., Messrs
Osbelt Chadwick, E. Agar, A. Siah, and
A. M. Agout, and 866 Deck.

Per *Lennor*, for Singapore, &c., Mr and
Mrs Ruchwaldy and 6 children, and 816
Chinese.

Per *Glenfruin*, for Saigon, 10 Chinese.

Per *Blackhall*, for Saigon, 10 Chinese.

To DEPART.

Per *Emeralda*, for Amoy and Manila, 60
Chinese.

Per *H. Printenberg*, for Quinhon, 4 Chi-
nese.

Per *Olympia*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.

Per *Caribbrooke*, for Amoy, 5 Chinese.

Per *Perambuco*, for Saigon, 26 Chinese.

Per *Emvy*, for Amoy, 52 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Emeralda* reports:
First part fine weather; later part strong
N.E. wind.

The British steamer *Carnaronshire* re-
ports: Fine weather until within the last
24 hours, when it blew a gale from N.E.
with heavy sea.

The American ship *Kate Davenport* re-
ports: On the 13th inst., heavy squalls.

CARGO.

Per S. S. *Arabic*, sailed April 13th—
For Yokohama, 4,717 bags Sugar, 10 bags
Coffee, 20 bales Hemp, 120 bales Yarn
Picos Goods, 90 bales Quicksilver, 137
bunches Iron, and 464 pkgs. Merchandise;
for San Francisco, 23,187 bags Rice, 225
bags Sugar, 147 bags Coffee, 254 bags
Beans, 1,544 bales Guano, 5 bales Jute,
53 bales Prepared Opium, 1,700 cases Nut-
oil, 2 cases Silks, 160 pkgs. Tea, and 3,402
pkgs. Merchandise; for Panama, 1,300 bags
Rice, 2 pkgs. Merchandise; for Boston, 4
cases Chinaware, and 4 cases Hats; for
Callao, 120 boxes Merchandise; for San
Jose de Guatemala, 1 case Silks; for Punta
Arenas, 1 pkgs. Merchandise; for La Li-
beral, 2 cases Silks; for New York, 158
bales Raw Silks, 11 cases Silks, 15 cases
Hats, and 1 case Yang Yung.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY—
Per *Caribbrooke*, at 9 a.m. To-morrow,
the 16th inst.

For MANILA—
Per *Passig*, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday, the
17th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For AMOY AND MANILA—
Per *Emeralda*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday,
the 17th inst., instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For NAGASAKI AND YOKOHAMA—
Per *Sunda*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday,
the 17th inst., instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For VICTORIA, B.C.—
Per *Suez*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 17th
inst., instead of as previously notified.

For VICTORIA, B.C.—
Per *Canopus*, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday,
the 20th inst.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Polien* leaves for Coast Ports.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—Rev. W. Jon-
nings, M.A., Colonial Chaplain. Morning
Service 11, Evening 5.45 (a short service).
Holy Communion every Sunday, except
the 2nd and 4th in the month.

Military Service.—Rev. J. Ost, Acting
Military Chaplain. Parade Service at 8
a.m. Holy Communion on the second
and fourth Sundays at the conclusion of
the Parade Service.

UNION CHURCH.—Morning Service, 11
a.m.—Rev. John Colville.—Divine Service
in Chinese, 2.30 p.m. every Sunday, with
communion on first Sunday of every month.
—Rev. C. J. Edge.

St. PETER'S CHURCH, for SEAMEN, &c.—
Rev. J. Ost, Chaplain. Service at 5 p.m.
Holy Communion after Service on the third
Sunday in each month. All the Seals are
free.

WOMAN'S MISSION CHURCH, Queen's Road
West.—Hongkong Christian Association
Service for Seamen, Sunday and Thursday,
7.30 p.m.

St. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev. J.
B. Ost, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. (All
Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer—
Liturgy, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at
11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 p.m. Preaching,
at 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday
in Chinese month.

GERMAN BETHLEHEM CHURCH.—Service in
the German language by Rev. W. Louis,
every Sunday, at half past ten a.m., in the
Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,
West Point.

St. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road.—
P.M. Mass and Sermon. 5.30 p.m. Even-
ing Service, Benediction.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

Goods per *Djennah* undelivered after
Noon, subject to rent and landing
charges.

4 p.m.—*Emeralda* leaves for Manila.

Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Sundries at H.M.'s
Ordnance Stores, Queen's Road East.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, April 18—

9 p.m.—Performance, "Rigoletto."

WEDNESDAY, April 19—

Daylight.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

Bothwell Castle leaves for Portland and
Honolulu on or about this date.

THURSDAY, April 20—

3 p.m.—*Canopus* leaves for Victoria
(Vancouver's Island).

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date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 22—

Charter Oak leaves for Victoria (Van-
couver's Island).

MONDAY, April 24—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

TUESDAY, May 2—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S.S. Co.'s
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 1882.

It is pretty generally admitted that the
Coroner enjoys a considerable measure of
discretion in the exercise of his func-
tions, and that the limits of his powers
are not very well defined. Indeed, the
office has grown with the common law
of England, and its duties are such as
have been framed by common-sense,
more than by statute. The very essence
of the office, however, is the inquiry
into circumstances which have caused
or occasioned death. And on this basis,
we think that Mr. Wodehouse failed
to exercise that discretion which his
fellow-magistrate yesterday. It must
be borne in mind that we have the
greatest respect for the motives
which appear to have suggested the
action of the Coroner in this particular
instance; and it may be noted that Mr.
Wodehouse has lately shown a most
laudable desire to probe to the bottom
some of the questions of cause and effect
which are deemed to have a partial
though remote bearing upon the death
of those whose cases have been brought
under his official notice. Any reasonable
range of inquiry, instead of forming the
subject of well-grounded objection, fur-
nishes one of the strongest reasons why
the coronal functions should be efficient-
ly carried out and strenuously upheld.
But the Juries, as well as the public
generally, look for the discreet use of
the Coroner's powers in placing his con-
struction upon what constitutes evidence
in any inquiry over which he may be
presiding. From the report of the pro-
ceedings published yesterday concern-
ing the inquest upon John Berry, a
seaman who committed suicide in the
Gaol, it will be seen that a novel
feature appeared, viz., an objection to
the course of examination on the part of
a Government official; but although it
must be borne in mind that the respect
and consideration belonging to the office
of Coroner ought to be maintained to
the utmost, there must be a limit some-
where to the scope of that functionary's
circumstances—for instance, when a non-
resident witness is at hand who can
give valuable testimony affecting any
system which naturally comes under
review during an inquiry, as for in-
stance, when the death of a Chinaman
is caused by a Chinese Revenue cruiser—it
may be judicious to prolong examination
on the ground that such opportunities
evidence may throw light upon the
cause of death and the responsibility
attributable to those concerned. This,
however, could scarcely apply in the
case of the Harbour Master; and we
fail to see why the time of the
Jury should be taken up with a widely-
extended investigation of the system
now in force for the relief of distressed
seamen, or that Captain Thomsen should
be called upon for a lengthy explana-
tion of his duties in this connection,
merely because a comparatively clear
case of suicide has occurred by a seaman
out of employment. This, it seems to
us, though an inquiry of the greatest
importance, is one which would more
suitably form the subject of direct action
on the part of the Executive, than of
prolonged examination in the Coroner's
Court; and we cannot help think-
ing that Captain Thomsen was just-
ified in entering his protest against
the course that was being followed by
Mr. Wodehouse in the case under
notice. Had the Coroner, instead of
persisting in his questions, at once
abandoned his course, and adopted that
of representing the matter to his superi-
ors, he would not only have displayed a
greater measure of sound discretion
than appeared, but have avoided an
unseemly war of words between officials
which is always to be regretted. As
we have said, the community will heart-
ily approve of the desire evinced by the
Coroner in exposing public shortcomings,
as was shown by his recent inquiry into
the origin of the fire which proved
fatal to

[illegible]

The Pandects, the whole of the civil law, the history of law, the *droit coutumier*, industrial and commercial law, constitutional law, and the law of nations, there is no Professor of elocution as in our law schools, and though most courts are not held, the students exercise their oratorical powers in the conferences, but, above all, in the *café* and *beer saloons*. It is there that you can frequently hear some hot debate on law or politics between two students. I have also assisted at in the *maison* where the law students in students' rooms, where the arguments were good, the flow of elocution easy, and the reading displayed broad. But what the French student lacks is training in Parliamentary law. He has but a very faint idea of it in his youth, and that he continues in his mature years. There is a vague idea on the importance of the matter is proved by the worse than school-boyish incoherence of the proceedings in the Chamber of Deputies. A little less Demosthenian and a little more Canning would do them no harm. When eleven o'clock strikes in the *café* of the *maison*, the students hasten to their *meal* or *tijener* *de la fourchette*, and when that meal is dispatched they stroll leisurely to their habitual *café*. The most popular of the day *cafés* are the *Source*, frequented by Parisians, South Americans, a few Luxemburgers, a colony of Basques, and a sprinkling of other young men; the *Voltaire*, a respectable, solid establishment, with a good stock of papers; the *Cluny*, the Anglo-Saxon *hemi-quartiers*, though there are numerous *roum-quartiers* in the billiard rooms upstairs; the *Yvette*, the "swell" *café* of the quarter, where *coffee* costs just 1 cent more than in the other *coffee*-louises and the *café* of the *maison*. Like *Arthur Ward*, the women are just one shade older and better dressed. It is in these resorts that the Parisian student takes his noon cup of coffee or sips his *mignon* or slowly quaffs his *liqueur*. Here he reads the morning news or discusses a question of study with his friends, or plays a game of sixty-six, or a game of *jeu*, or whist, or *carte*. When at *club*, the club is not at 1.30 he leaves and goes about his regular occupation.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

The following original speech on "Capital Punishment" was recently delivered before a Debating Society in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, U. S. A.:—

Mr President,—With an eager thirst for information, and an ardent desire to get at the bottom facts of the case, I have dived into the history of the matter. I have said, "I am a seeking after knowledge." I have gone back as far as human eye could see. I have poured into the illimitable depths of time until I have discovered man emerging from the throes of evolution,—when the protoplasm, the polypoe, or the monkey had just become a man; or rather, let me say, when the monkey, who was religiously-inclined (my friends) have gone back to the time when man first made his lordly presence felt among his surroundings, and demonstrated that, although the last on the boards of the creative drama, he was not the least.

Here, sir, among the ruins of Eden, I groped my way endeavouring to hunt up literary records, with the keenness to the glacial period, until I discovered of force again seeing the light of the 10th century; but, bumping my head against a monument, and recovering from the sensation of "seeing stars," I borrowed a kerosine lamp, by the aid of which I made out the almost time-obscured inscription, which ran thusly:—

"Sacred to the memory of Abel,
Who was killed by the leg of a table
While debating on the question of
On the ways of the vain."

Underneath was a bas-relief representing the fractious man with the touching explanation in Antediluvian Sanskrit: "First Blood for Cain."

I mentally said, I am at last on the right track, and sure enough, sir, I was; for, near by this archeological treasure, I stumbled against the disconsolate Cain. I grappled with him, and we rose to the glory of the first murder. I discovered of force again seeing the light of the 10th century; but, bumping my head against a monument, and recovering from the sensation of "seeing stars," I borrowed a kerosine lamp, by the aid of which I made out the almost time-obscured inscription, which ran thusly:—

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I mentally said

there are too little "Chokes," and, in my opinion, the world would be ninety per cent better off in morals if the scaffold and rope could form more numerous acquaintances with the world than they do lately.

I don't wish to introduce the guillotine or the fustiball; but I would rather have those than that Justice should be robbed of some of her brightest jewels. I don't wish to introduce the Japanese system of Hara-Kiri, in which the culprit jumps up and kills himself; nor do I wish to show the stuff he made of. I prefer to study anatomy under different circumstances. Neither would I introduce the Chinese plan of rolling a culprit down hill in a barrel, the said barrel having previously been driven full of nails. Nor do I advocate the use of the electric collar, though it is above the barbaric practices of the Inquisition. Some one, I believe, has suggested dynamite—or nitro-glycerine,—but the dangerous consequences attending the use of either are sufficient to condemn it. This might be termed the fragmentary means of homicide, and I think that if we were proposed it were to superintend the job himself, he wouldn't have an atom of common sense left in him after the first act. He would never superintend another. Drowning, no doubt, presents many attractions; but then there is the bother of fishing the bodies out of the water, and the trouble in Siam the friends of the murdered man serve the murderer as he served their friend. And I would draw your attention, sir, to one unamiable feature of this system: There would be a considerable variety of execution—that would save the thing from getting monotonous. But then, doubtless, the Government would also take care to keep the public mind at ease by making it think, sir, that the scaffold always acts as pretty a piece of mechanism as the world has yet discovered as a means of exit to the land.

"Where the wicked cease from troubling
And the weary are at rest."

Now, Mr President, having dived deep into means of execution in vogue, I would draw your attention to the arguments presented on the other side. I must give the gentlemen credit for the manner in which they have handled the subject, and to you, whose honour is due. But mark, sir, the wide difference between their arguments and ours. So wide, in fact, is the breadth between us that time, I fear, will never bridge the abysses. It would be easier for a Turkish or Russian engineer to bridge the Danube. While, sir, our arguments tend to elevate the soul and to ennoble the ordinary walls in life, the arguments pro- nounced by the other side are framed to keep mankind in the obscure position which they think by Nature he was intended to fill. This is where they make a grand mistake in dealing with so momentous a question. What, sir, is the duty we owe to ourselves, and what we owe to fellow-men? Is it not to improve our condition, and to help and help our fellow mortals to do the same? I say, sir, that which tends to debase and enslave mankind above low conceptions—that which tends to place a man in a position to be looked up at—that which elevates a man to an altitude that is accessible to all who will diligently search for it, and which leads to the attainment of peace, is the duty we owe to ourselves, and we owe to raise a man up and fill his soul with the grand sublimest of the future. We would bring him face to face with the stern necessities of life. In fact, we would force a man to gaze into the very portals of the hereafter himself, so that before he leaves this mundane sphere he should stand on the boundary of the eternal world, and see how close the reality that binds him to the life that opens beyond the grave, and, before he is aware of the mighty workings of Nature, the joint that hung by a single thread has gone to join its kindred in "the undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns."

REPRESENTATION OF MEATH.

(Daily Telegraph, March 1).

Mr Davitt may possibly be worthy to some extent of the eulogiums passed upon him by his friends in Parliament last night. Mr Cowen urged that in a grant social upheaval, such as that which has arisen in Ireland, one or two men, like Mr Davitt, ought to be raised to the surface to speak the hopes and aspirations of the people. "We call him a traitor," says here Mr Cowen, "in Ireland they call him a patriot." It is happy, however, that the House had to deal with his claim only in the former capacity, and it acted accordingly. The Member for Newcastle intends at the earliest possible moment to submit a resolution to Parliament calling for an address to the Crown praying that a free pardon may be granted to Mr Davitt. This is not the time to discuss the propriety of such a resolution more than to say that if a free pardon be granted to Mr Davitt the period will have arrived for a general amnesty and the unconditional release of the leaders of the unofficially defunct Land League. On July 18, 1870, Michael Davitt, a avowed Fenian, was found guilty at the Old Bailey of treason-felony, and sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude. Previous to his rebellion he and his companions were in open rebellion against the Queen. Later he was released on a ticket-of-leave, but, having engaged in further treasonable practices, was sent back to prison. Mr Davitt may be a patriot, he may be a man of unbounded private life, he may be, indeed, an enthusiast, although mistaken, of the highest order; but the House of Commons has registered its conviction that he is not a fit person to be returned as a Member of Parliament, and that he is not legally qualified to sit for Meath. Mr Mitchell Henry confidently asserted that previous knowledge that Mr Davitt's claims had been presented to the House would have refused to take the oath of allegiance. That is a further cause for congratulation that his claim has been disallowed. Since the general election of 1880 the House has had enough difficulty and to spare with one chosen representative of a constituency, and his refusal to subscribe to the oaths of the present day membership. Whether or not Mr Egan may be entitled to the seat will speedily be decided by a Court of law, the proper tribunal to adjudicate on that point. Little sympathy need be wasted on Meath. The electors of that place, in returning Mr Davitt, intended a deliberate insult to the Government, and a protest against the loyalty to the loyal population of the three kingdoms. Their attempt, however, has failed. The case of Mr Davitt was argued with moderation and fairness by some of the most distinguished lawyers on both sides of the House. Mr Davitt has been judged without bias, and condemned without prejudice, and so the present House of Commons is rid of him and of his pretensions.

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(Revised January 1st, 1882.)

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There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

	General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam, &c. (per ½ oz.)	General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam, &c. (per 1 oz.)	General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam, &c. (per 2 oz.)	General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam, &c. (per 4 oz.)	General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam, &c. (per 1 lb.)
(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents.	1	2	2	2	10
(e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, 2 cents.					

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. every week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mail.
2. Invitations, &c. can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.
3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Circulars

Working Account.	Last Dividend.	Dividend.	Quotations.	Cash.
100,000 \$	63,639.45	40%	110%	\$242 1/2
312,600 \$	251,064.01	71.75	1200	"
503,688 \$	18,447.16	12 1/2	21,000	"
381,787 \$	437,689.68	144.27	1600	"
476,000 \$	91,023.40	20%	18100	"
100,378 \$	677.42	85	8250	"
523,842 \$	263,403.72	67 1/2	8930	"
493,032 \$	144,536.91	18%	8292 1/2	"
135,000 \$	18,908.00	5%	898 1/2	"
7,563 7/8	3,180.63	4%	48 prem. =	\$185 p. sh.
7,480	...	...	82 1/2	\$107
...	5,324.71	\$10	\$155	"
6,250	1,880.61	\$10	\$131	"
...	159.31	\$5	\$80	"
...	...	...	...	\$117

30th April, 1881. For year 1880.
 EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

&c., of all the same weights, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Port of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unstampd, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly dispensed with, if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post in Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

Local and Indian Parcel Post.

- Small Parcels may be sent by Post at *Book Rates* between Hongkong and any of the British Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Macao, Pakhoi, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weigh more than 5 lbs., nor be smaller than 3 in. by 2 in. by 1 in. If they are forwarded to any of the places to which they are forwarded, if they bear this special endorsement: **PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTER, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.** In the Case of Parcels for India a declaration of contents and value is required, a printed form for which is supplied gratis. No parcel of the value of Stamps for India and Ceylon is compulsory.
- The following cannot be transmitted:
 - Articles insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed, (as bandboxes &c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails; or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.
- Parcels are as a general rule forwarded by the Private Ship, but by Contract Mail by the *India Mail*—they are forwarded by the P. & O. or Indian Mail Packets only to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, unless Registered, and then only to the amount of \$10.
- The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a *Parcel Post to Europe, &c.*, which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

- No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver, money, jewels, precious articles, or any thing that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.
- This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be no small as to make the sample of no value.
- The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—
 - Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.
 - Patterns—to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post; to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

- That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.
- That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.
- That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.
- That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, or by the dishonesty or negligence of any person, not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.
- No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, hand-made bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

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 Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

Unclaimed Correspondence.
April 14, 1882.

	Late, Pa.	Late, Pa.
Accum (comprisor) 1	Melchior, L. 1	
Armstrong, J. R. 4	Mcken, Samuel 1	10
Bailey, Jas. 1	Mackinlay, David 1	
Bang, Moner. N. 1	Marsden, Robt. C. 1	
Baltzman, B. M. 1	Martin, Capellous 1	
Barnes, Miss 1	McCarthy, Monr. 1	
Barlow, H. 1	regd. Martell, Leonard 1	
Beck, J. 1	Moller, F. 1	
Beck, Henry E. 1	Moore, Capt. 1	2
Blattschli, Monar. 1	Bornard 1	
Bonnett, Mrs. 2	Widdings, Monar. 1	
Bousfield, John 1	Morely, Wm. 1	
Brookhouse, Arth. 1	Ng A Chua 1	
Brooks, W. 1	Novell, Thomas 1	
Brooms, T. J. 1	O'M P. 1	
Brown, Joseph 1	Parish, Edw. 1	
Burr, John M. 1	Partridge, J. E. 1	
Carl, F. H. 1	Perry, E. 1	4
Chan Lee 1	Plina, Honorato de 1	
Chong A Duck 1	Potter, Mrs 1	
Choy Wat Chin 1	regd. P. F. 1	
Clot, C. N. 1	Phillips, E. A. 1	10
Clons Santa, M. 1	Pierce, W. 1	
Cousins, A. W. V 4	Plummer, John 1	
Costa, de, Marina 1	Pordis, G. 1	
Crawford, O. J. 1	Quirk, Wm. 1	100
Cromson, A. 1	Reardon, Geo. 1	
Culpe, Antonio 1	Remedios, P. X. 1	
Dady, W. H. 1	Renny, David 1	
Davies, W. H. 1	regd. Renny, Edw. 1	
Deary, Samuel R. 1	Reuter, E. L. 1	
Deer, John 1	Reynolds, Jas. 1	
Doughty, R. G. 1	J. Engineer 1	3
Downes, F. W. H. 1	Robinson, Chs. 1	
Duboin, Mts. Olga 2	Rodgers, McYern 1	2
Dufort, Sor. S. 1	do do 1	
Dugan, M. P. 1	2 Salaman, M. L. 1	
Elder, Miss S. 1	Sartorius, Dr. W. 1	regd.
Elina, Erenor 1	Satow, E. P. L. D. 1	
Emesle, Madrie 1	Scholar, Otto 2	
"Madeline" 1	do 1	regd.
E. Lee Hong 1	Sharp, Geo 1	
Fante, A. 1	Shepard, Genl. 1	
Faria, S. V. M. 1	P. F. 1	
Finizoolo, Mrs G. 1	do, M. 1	
Flynn, J. 1	Shiels, H. J. 1	
Folger, J. 1	Smith, Mrs. 1	
Ford, Miss S. D. 1	Souza, Alfredo M. 1	
Fritz, Miss Rosa 1	Souza, Filomena 1	
Fuller, Miss 1	Spelkens, F. 1	10
regd. Hong 1	Stain, S. E. 1	10
Fyfe, J. J. 1	Stane, C. M. 1	
Gardner, E. 1	Tanbur, M. 1	
Geit, Mrs 1	Texas, John 1	
Gregory, W. 1	Taylor, Lubbsick 1	
Graeme, D. H. 1	Thomson, W. F. 1	6 8p
Gruberg, J. 1	Thullier, Moner. 1	
Guo Sing 1	Wang 1	
Hall, P. J. 1	Thum Tun 1	regd.
Hare Christian, T. S. 2	Toole, Capt. B. 1	
Harrington, O. 1	Townsend, A. M. 1	
Hotherington, R. 1	Twiss, Robt. Wm. 1	
Heyemann, C. H. 1	U. Chawood, Loui. 1	
J. H. 1	Underwood, Mrs 1	
Howies, Wm. 2	Uo-Wan-Kai 1	regd.
Inkster, James 1	Walker, Capt. A. 1	
Irvine, T. 1	Walter, Chas. 1	regd.
Irvine, Dr A. D. 1	Ward, Prof. H. A. 1	
J. H. 1	Warren, E. R. 1	
James, T. H. 1	Warren, P. L. 1	
Just, J. 1	Webster, Miss 1	1
Keith Angus, J. 1	Whiting, Mrs 1	
Kellar 1	Wilford, W. 1	
Klein, Mrs 1	Wilson, P. J. 1	regd.
Kohn, Georges 3	Willard, Mrs 1	regd.
Laucauter, Geo. 1	Willis, P. F. 1	
Leuman, A. 1	1 ed. Willis, Rev. E. R. 1	
Lee Yan Foo 3	Wingloe 1	
Lee Lum 6	Wong, Choo 1	10
Levingstone, Sam. 1	Yong Moh 1	regd.
Long Gee 1	regd. Yung Shew 1	
Long Lee 1	1 bk. Yoh Chow Chow 1	
Ludlow, A. E. 1	Young, Jas. 1	
McArthur, Miss 1	Zealand, H. 1	10

H. M. S.

G. H. Mitchell, H. M. S.	Albustros, 1	unpd. letter
J. Warrell, "	Esconter, 1	"
James Windsor, "	Poxonwood, 1	"
J. K. B. Jones, "	Iron Duke, 1	"
J. H. H. P. Jones, "	"	"
Comdr. Geo. L. Atkinson, "	"	"
R. G. Shearer, "	"	1 regd. letter
W. D. Macers, "	"	1 regd. letter
"	Lily, 1	"
J. Harrison, "	"	"
R. Sanderson, "	Vigilant, 1	unpd. letter
Smith, "	"	"
Harry Hill, "	Zepzyr, 1	regd. letter

For Merchant Ships.

Late, Pa.	Late, Pa.	
Adam M. Simpson 1	Lansel 1	2
Albert Vicksor 1	Liberty 1	
Amey 1	Lochooo 3	5
Annie R. Smith 2	Lola 1	
Baldy Will 1	Lucas Colb 1	
Bride 1	Mary 2	
Casernanahire 2	May 1	
Ceres 1	Munroy 1	
Charter Oak 3	Oaklands, s.s. 6	5
Chesley 6	4 P. Carleton 1	
Cougrir 1	Pansy 2	
Craigland, s.s. 1	Pauline 1	
Croole 1	Pinciole, s.s. 1	
Dionies 1	Queen of East 1	
Dudley 1	Rachel 1	
Edwin Finley 1	Reynolds, s.s. 1	
Else 3	R. Robinson 1	
Emile 1	Sarawak, s.s. 1	
Fornosa 1	Scarf Forvers 1	
Gastel 1	Shan Kee 1	
Guemalla 1	Sierra Marina 1	
Glowry 1	Solway 1	2 regd.
Harmonia 1	Solway, s.s. 10	6
Harya Letcheld 1	Souvenir 1	8
Haze 1	Sportan regd. 1	
Himalaya, s.s. 1	regd. Stillwater 1	
Irara 1	Syon 1	
J. Bourne 1	Tanar 1	
J. H. Bowers 1	Thimpero, s.s. 1	
Koik 1	Titan 1	
Lady Bowen 1	Win. J. Rotch 1	
Lansel 2	Zodjak 1	4

DETAINED.

Cogswell, E. Middlesex, 3 papers.
Davies, O. Middlesex, 3 papers.
Davies, Monr. Rus do 3 papers.
Varrenna, Paris.
Esnorring, Miss B. J., Cape Town, 1 newspaper.
Horfield, S. Portsmouth, 3 papers.
Philps, O. S. Portland Oregon, 1 newspaper,
conts. ... 3 Chinese letters.

Books, etc. without Covers.

Annual R-report of the American Board of Com-
missions.
Aptrade.
Belgavia.
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Catalogue of New & Popular Works
Christian Shuld.
Ciel et Terre.
Cook Gasco.
Cottons Cloth (Samples).
Cuzair.
Gipala.
Dagbladet.
De Maabden.
De Tijds.
Deutsche Handelsbuch.
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Die Gartenlaube.
Dumries & Galloway Cuzair.
Figaro.
Flasbergue Nachrichten.
Flasbergue Nachrichten.
Flasbergue Blätter.
Freje.
Gazette Ufficiale.
Hans-Adolphsen.
Havdan Gazette.

Holy Prayers.
Hymns on the Holy Spirit.
The Divine Salvatore.
Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News.
Illustrate Zeitung.
Iron Trade Circular.
Tylandsposten:
Journal de St. Petersburg.
Kossid & Mumbai.
La Fleuvre Librale.
Le Petit Lyonnais.
L'Economiste.
L'Espresso.
Literarischer Merkür.
Liverpool "Sack" Mercury.
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper.
London and China Express.
Mahomedan Newspaper.
Mithellungen.
Nautical Magazine.
New Publications.
Nickel und Centur.
Norddeutsche Nachrichten.
Oatmeal Cloth (Samples).
Quarterly return of Marriages, Births, &c.
Retrospect of Medicine.
Review des Vins et Liqueurs.
Riviera and Hawkes, Musical Catalogues.
Russian Book.
Russian Newspaper.
South Port Visitor.
Victorian Review.
Weekly Budget.
Woolen Cloth (Samples).
Zeitung Zeitang.

Money Orders.

1.—Money Orders are exchanged with the following countries :—

India.	South Australia.
Japan.*	Straits Settlements.
New South Wales.	Tasmania.
Port Darwin.	United Kingdom.
Queensland.	Western Australia.

2.—The Hongkong Post Office also issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

3.—The commission is as follows :—

Up to £ 2, or \$10, or R. 20,	.....0.20 cent
" £ 2, or \$25, or R. 50,	.....0.40 "
" £ 7, or \$35, or R. 70,	.....0.60 "
" £10, or \$50, or R100,	.....0.80 "
"	R150, \$1.00 "

4.—No Order must exceed £10 or \$ (unless drawn on India, when £150 is the limit), nor will more than two such order be issued to the same persons, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail.

5.—Sums not exceeding \$50 may be remitted between the Ports of China means of Postage Stamps, subject to charge of one per cent. for cashing them.

* No orders on Japan are issued at the British Post Office, Shanghai.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet, Kaituma, will be despatched on TUESDAY the 18th April, with Mails to all through the United Kingdom at the Europe via Brindisi, to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for Australian Colonies.

THE MAILS PER BRITISH CONTRACT PACKETS will close during the Summer Months, commencing from the 4th April, as follows :

For Money Order Business 3 P.M.
" Registry of Correspondence 4 P.M.
" Posting of all Printed Matter 4 P.M.
" Posting of all Letters 5 P.M.
" Posting of all Letters with Late Fee, 5.10 to 5.50 P.M.

Supplementary Mail on Board 3.30 P.M. with Late Fee of 10 cents on Letter Newspapers without Late Fee, after which Letters may be placed in the Letter Box on board the Packet for treatment Singapore.

NAMES OF VILLAGES &c.,
IN OR NEAR HONGKONG,
(Corrected Spelling.)

A-kung Ngam.	Sai Tsun.
Ap-li Chau.	Shai-wan.
Cheung-shan Hom.	Shai-tai Po.
Chung Hom.	Sham-shui Po.
Chung Wan.	Shau-ki Wan.
Fo-pang.	Shek-o.
Ha-wan.	Shek Tong.
Heung-kong Tsai.	Shek-tong Tsai.
(Aberdeen).	Sheng Wan.
Hok-tai Fao.	Shui-fung Wan.
Hok-tai Wan.	So-kin Po.
Hok-an.	Tai-ko Tsai.
Hok-an Kok.	Tai-long Ha.
Hung-hetung Lo.	Tai-lung King.
Hung-hom.	Tai-pang Mi.
Kai-lung Wan.	Tai-ping Shan.
Ka-ng Wan.	Tai-shek Kok.
Kau-lung.	Tai-tan Wan.
Kau-pui Shek.	Tai-tan Tuk.
Kung Chung.	Tai-wan.
Kung Kok.	Tai-yung Kwai.
Lap-sai Wan.	Tang-lung Chau.
Li-li Mun.	Tai Toi-mun.
Ma-tei Chung.	Toim-o-i Tsai.
Ma-tan Kok.	Toi-toi Ai Tsai.
Ma-tai Tsin.	Toi-kwa Wan.
Mistat Wan.	Toi-wan.
Ma-ti.	Tung-wan (Hospital).
Mong-ko.	Tung-lo Wan.
Ngan Ping.	Un Chan.
Ngong-shun Chau.	Wan-tsai.
Pak-shui Wan.	Wong-ko Tsai.
Poi-fu Lam.	Wong-ma Kok.
Sai-kwan Tsai.	Wong-nai Chung.
Sai Ying-pun.	Yau-ma Ti.

N.B.—Documents should not be dated Year of Kwong-si, which is the style with Late Fee of 10 cents on Letter
H. M. the Emperor of China, and is so common inapplicable in a British Colony.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

AGENTS, AMERICAN BARQUE, Captain CHAS. W. BROWN.	Captain.
CHARLES STEWARD, American bark.	Capt. H. R. POWERS.
CHARTER OAK, American ship.	Capt. Gilkey.
J. A. BOZLAND, American bark.	Capt. J. E. J. DUNN.
Douglas Leprik & Co.	Capt. J. E. J. DUNN.
JOHNATHAN BOWMAN, American bark.	Capt. A. DOANE.
D. H. Ward.	
NELSON M. READ, Amer. S. m. schooner.	Capt. Gould.
Melchers & Co.	
ROCK TERRACE, British ship.	Capt. J. HUTCHINSON.
P. & O. B. N. Co.	
STRATFORD, British steamer.	Capt. B. Fenwick.
Siemens & Co.	
WELLS, German steamer.	Capt. Messmann.
Meyer & Co.	

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